### STATE OF IOWA

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

#### UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., n/k/a QWEST CORPORATION, AND SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, L.P. DOCKET NO. NIA-97-17

# ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO NEGOTIATED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

(Issued January 30, 2001)

On November 28, 2000, U S WEST Communications, Inc., n/k/a Qwest
Corporation, and Sprint Communications Company, L.P., filed a first amendment to
their negotiated interconnection agreement to add terms, conditions, and rates for
line sharing. The proceeding was identified as Docket No. NIA-97-17. The Utilities
Board (Board), on October 6, 1997, had approved the initial negotiated
interconnection agreement. Review by the Board of this amendment is pursuant to
47 U.S.C. § 252(e). On December 12, 2000, the Board issued an order allowing any
interested party the opportunity to submit written comments supporting approval or
rejection of the agreement within 30 days of the filing. No comments were filed.

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A), the Board may reject a negotiated interconnection agreement or amendment if it finds either (1) the agreement or amendment discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement, or (2) the implementation of the agreement or amendment is not

consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Based upon the record made in this docket, the filed amendment does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier and is not inconsistent with the public purpose and will be approved.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Amendment No. 1 to the negotiated interconnection agreement filed on November 28, 2000, by U S West Communications, Inc., n/k/a Qwest Corporation, and Sprint Communications Company, L.P., is approved to be effective upon the issuance of this order.

	UTILITIES BOARD
ATTEST:	/s/ Susan J. Frye
/s/ Judi K. Cooper Acting Executive Secretary	/s/ Diane Munns
Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 30 <sup>th</sup> day of January, 2001.	